

## SunLab/CSP Program Trough R&D

#### Current

- Industry Assistance
- Bechtel "Low Impact" ISCCS Study
- USA Trough Initiative

#### Future Directions







# **Industry Assistance**

- Sunray Energy HCE Development
  - Low-cost HCE
  - Split Glass Envelope
- Advanced Selective Coating
- Honeycomb Mirror Panel







#### **Bechtel "Low Impact" ISCCS**

#### Original ISCCS Concept

- Doubles steam turbine size
- Reduces cost for power plant equipment
- Output increased when solar available
- Potential impact on gas mode efficiencies
- Solar fraction for baseloaded plant ~10%

## Bechtel "Low-Impact" ISCCS

- No increase in steam turbine size
- Further reduces power plant equipment cost
- Solar used to augment CC output during hot weather
- Potentially increased solar to electric conversion efficiency
- Solar fraction for baseloaded plant ~2%







# **USA Trough Initiative**

#### **Objective:**

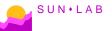
- Advance the state-of-the-art of parabolic trough technology for near-term competitiveness
- Increase U.S. scope and supply

## **Approach:**

- Competitive RFP
- Minimum of 10% cost share
- Multiple Awards







# **USA Trough**

#### Reflective Energies

Solar Trough Organic Rankine Electricity Systems (STORES)

## Bechtel/Pilkington

- "High Impact" ISCCS Analysis
- Thermal Storage Options for ISCCS

#### Duke Solar

Trough Concentrator Development

#### MWE & Associates

HCE/Mirror Reliability Assessment

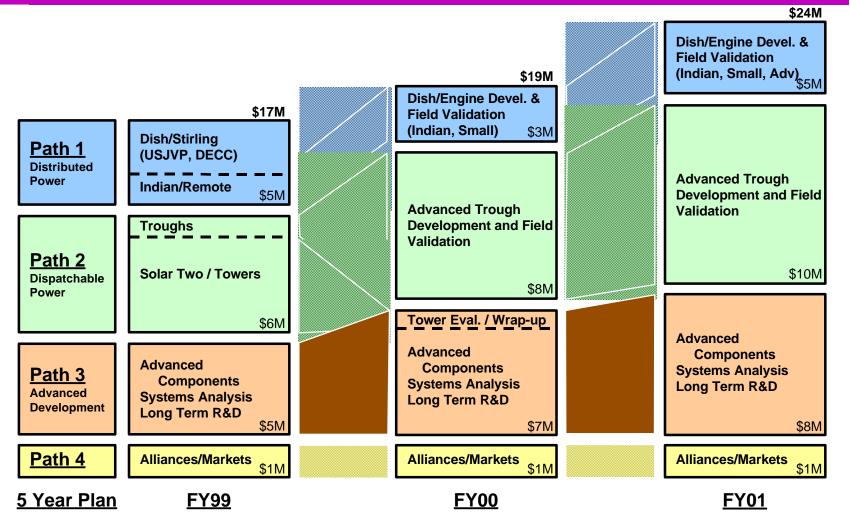
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SEECOT Analysis





# Concentrating Solar Power: Program Directions









#### **New SunLab Trough Program Directions**

- Utilizing "trough roadmap" to define directions
- Focus on activities to help technology be a success
  - Build on success of existing technology
- Build U.S. Constituents
- New Approaches to Work with industry
  - Workshops/Roadmaps
  - Improved business practices
  - Advisory Panel
  - Core Capabilities







# **SunLab Trough Focus**

## Highest Priority R&D

- HCE Reliability & Lifetime
- Thermal Storage for Troughs
- Concentrator Improvements & Cost Reduction
- Improved Plant Designs (ISCCS/Other)
- O&M Cost Reduction

## Market & Project Development Issues

- Resource Assessment
- Modeling & Analysis Capabilities



